Regional Consultation Workshop on Women

5460. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Regional Consultation Workshop on Women was held in Bangalore on the 10th December, 2001;

(b) if so, whether the workshop has appealed to Government to steer the Tenth Five Year Plan towards a gender sensitive and people-centred plan with focus on decentralised empowerment of communities, concentrating on grassroot level participation;

(c) if so, what were the other main decisions taken in the workshop;

(d) whether Government have considered these suggestions; and

(e) if so, what are the steps being taken to implement them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN) (a) Yes, Sir. As a part of the initiative of UN interagency Working Group on Gender and Development, the World Bank had organised the Southern Regional Consultation Meet for Engendering the Tenth Five Year Plan at Bangalore on 10-11 December, 2001.

(b) and (c) The Workshop made a number of recommendations on education, health, employment and anti-poverty schemes for women as also on gender mainstreaming of governance and the convergence of services at the grassroot level.

(d) and (e) Planning Commission is using these recommendations alongwith recommendations of other Working Groups, for the preparation of the Tenth Five Year Plan.

Schools for secondary education

†5461. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government have formulated a scheme for setting up schools under a new policy, to provide education in the country upto secondary level;

(b) if so, the name of the scheme and by when it is going to be implemented; and

(c) the total number of schools being run by Government to provide education in the country upto secondary level and total average number of students getting education in these schools annually?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA] :(a) and (b) The National Policy of Edcuation, 1986 (as modified in 1992) and Programme of Action, 1992 already provide that there will be a primary school within a radius of one km. and upper primary school within a radius of three kms. New schools are opened by the State Governments. However, to supplement the efforts of State Governments for achieving universal access to Elementary Education, a Centrally sponsored programme District Primary Education Programme was launched in 1994. Also to achieve the goal of Universalization of Elementary Education through a time-bound integrated approach, a new scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has been recently launched. The Central Government have no new schemes for opening secondary schools.

(c) As per the Selected Educational Statistics the number of schools and the enrolment during 1999-2000 is given below:

	Number of schools	Enrolment (in Million)
Primary	641695	113.61
Middle/Upper primary	198004	42.06
High/Hr. Sec./ Inter/Pre-Degree	116820	28.21

Vacant posts of the clerks in KVs, Jammu

†5462. SHRI GHANSHYAM CHANDRA KHARWAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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